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The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Ranking Minority Member
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on the Judiciary
2138 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515-6216

Dear Congressman Conyers:

This Office has completed its preliminary review of the allegations you raised concerning the United States Attorney's Office (USAO) for the Eastern District of Michigan. With respect to an investigation of possible campaign improprieties by Democratic officials in Michigan, you alleged that the USAO has conducted the investigation in a manner designed to embarrass Democratic office holders; that the USAO applied a double standard by failing to investigate similar improprieties involving Republican office holders; and that attorneys and agents associated with the investigation have conflicts of interest.

Based on the results of our inquiry, we have concluded that there is insufficient evidence of professional misconduct to warrant further investigation.

Thank you for bringing your concerns regarding this matter to the attention of the Department. Please do not hesitate to bring additional concerns regarding this or other matters within the jurisdiction of this Office to our attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "H. Marshall Jarrett", is positioned above the printed name and title.

H. Marshall Jarrett
Counsel